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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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DIVISION

SERIAL NO.: New Application

FILED: HEREWITH

FOR: DIGITAL CAMERA WITH IMPROVED
PORTABILITY AND EASE OF USE

**SUBMISSION OF DECLARATION IN
COMPLIANCE WITH 37 C.F.R. 1.53(f)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.53(f), Applicant submits herewith a Rule 63 Declaration.

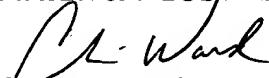
The Declaration enclosed herewith contains the Title of the Invention and Inventor(s) name(s) and is believed, in combination with the attorney statement set forth below, to adequately identify the above-identified application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.63, as set forth in MPEP Section 601.01.

The undersigned hereby states that the specification to which the Declaration is attached is a true copy of the specification.

In light of the forgoing, the application is deemed to be complete and in condition for examination, and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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Japanese Language Declaration

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the specification of which

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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Prior Foreign Application(s)

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